



John Roberts, Dean of Arts and Humanities and professor of English and folklore, delivered the welcome at the Symposium and Tribute for Alexander Stephan, "But What About Culture? Alexander Stephan's Interdisciplinary Project." Alexander Stephan came to The Ohio State University in 2000 as the first Ohio Eminent Scholar in the Humanities.



Colleagues remembered Alexander Stephan with talks by two of his friends and colleagues whose interdisciplinary breadth mirrors his own. Jost Hermand, University of Wisconsin and Humboldt Universität-Berlin, gave a lecture titled "Forced out of Hitler's Reich: Five Cases of Intellectual Culture Shock in the Prairies of the Midwest."



Richard Ned Lebow, Dartmouth College, Cambridge University, and the London School of Economics, honored Alex Stephan's research with a lecture titled "The Old World Meets the New: German Refugee Social Scientists in America."



Colleagues, friends, and previous students could page through Alex Stephan's extensive publications, browse his website, and look through other memorabilia, which was on display at the Symposium and Tribute held at the Mershon Center on February 5, 2010. This event was presented by the Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures and the Mershon Center for International Security Studies.



Helen Fehervary, professor of Germanic Languages and Literatures and close friend and colleague of Alexander Stephan, invited those who wished to speak briefly about Alex to approach the podium and share remembrances.



Richard Herrmann, director of the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, honored Alexander Stephan with a special tribute. Stephan was a senior fellow at the Mershon Center and his research and extensive body of publications enriched the scholarship promoted at the center.





Dorry Noyes, associate professor of English, comparative studies, and anthropology, shared a poem about American culture during the session dedicated to sharing department, center and audience remembrances. During his years at Ohio State, Stephan's attention to American culture and politics greatly enriched interdisciplinary conversations at the Mershon Center and in the College of Humanities.



John Mueller, Woody Hayes Chair of National Security, shared a tribute to Stephan and read an excerpt from his book '*Communazis.*' *FBI Surveillance of German Émigré Writers* (Yale University Press, 2000).



Anna Grotans, associate professor of German and Chair of Germanic Languages and Literatures, shared a story of how Stephan's work on Christa Wolf influenced her early on in her academic career. Stephan's research did much to establish German Studies as it exists today both here and abroad.



Alexander Stephan's past students shared remembrances of his teaching, research, and mentorship during the Symposium and Tribute, "But What About Culture?" held at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies on February 5, 2010.



Halina Stephan gave some closing remarks at the memorial symposium and tribute for Alexander Stephan. The event, "But What About Culture? Alexander Stephan's Interdisciplinary Project," was organized by Helen Fehervary, Anna Grotans, and Dorry Noyes and held at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies on February 5, 2010.